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Re: Application of Takafumi ATARASHI and Katsuto NAKATSUKA
CONSOLIDATED MATERIAL OF COATED POWDERS AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME
Our Reference: Q53451
PCT/JP97/02895, filed August 20, 1997

Dear Sir:

Applicants herewith submit the attached papers for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty. Attached hereto is the application identified above which is a translation of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP97/02895, filed August 20, 1997, comprising the specification, claims, foreign language International Preliminary Examination Report, Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449 with references, executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, International Search Report, executed Assignment and PTO Form 1595.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| Total Claims | 14 - 20 = | 0 x \$18 = | \$ 000.00 |
| Independent Claims | 4 - 3 = | 1 x \$78 = | \$ 78.00 |
| Base Filing Fee | (\$840.00) | | \$ 840.00 |
| Multiple Dep. Claim Fee | (\$260.00) | | \$ 260.00 |
| TOTAL FILING FEE | | | \$ 1178.00 |
| Recordation of Assignment Fee | | | \$ 40.00 |
| TOTAL U.S. GOVERNMENT FEE | | | \$ 1218.00 |

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$ 1,178.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$ 40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

Japanese Patent Application

P. Hei. 8-228713

Filing Date

August 29, 1996

The Office is invited to contact the above firm on any question which might arise on the above-named application. Any contact that the Office might need to make should be directed to Abraham J. Rosner, Registration No. 33,276, at (202)293-7060.

Since the anniversary of the priority date fell on a Sunday, the filing of this application on Monday, March 1, 1999, is sufficient to obtain the benefit of priority.

Respectfully submitted,
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